

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of :  
Eberhard NIESCHLAG et al. : Group Art Unit: Unknown  
Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned : Examiner: Unassigned  
Filed: January 19, 2001 :  
For: MALE CONTRACEPTIVE FORMULATION COMPRISING  
NORETHISTERONE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

**Page 1,** Insert the following paragraph after "FIELD OF INVENTION":

--This application claims benefit of the filing date of provisional application filed January 19, 2001, <sup>60/266,326</sup> (Atty. Docket: PLOVIN-3), corresponding to converted non-provisional application Serial Number 09/503,729.--

**In the Claims:**

**Claim 11,** line 1, delete "any of the preceding claims" and insert --claim 1--.  
**Claim 15,** line 1, delete "any of claims 13 or 14," and insert --claim 13,--.  
**Claim 16,** line 1, delete "any of claims 13 or 14," and insert --claim 13,--.  
**Claim 17,** line 1, delete "any of claims 13 or 14," and insert --claim 13,--.  
**Claim 18,** line 1, delete "any of claims 13 or 14," and insert --claim 13,--.  
**Claim 19,** line 1, delete "or 14".  
**Claim 20,** line 1, delete "any of claims 13 or 14," and insert --claim 13,--.

Claim 22, line 1, delete "any of claims 13, or 14," and insert --claim 13,--.  
Claim 29, line 1, delete "any of claims 13 to 28" and insert --claim 13--.  
Claim 30, line 1, delete "any of claims 13 to 28," and insert --claim 13,--.  
Claim 35, line 1, delete "any of claims 32 to 34," and insert --claim 32,--.  
Claim 47, line 1, delete "or 43".

### **REMARKS**

The above is believed to be self-explanatory.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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